

Comparisons of Job Characteristics

Focus Occupation: **Accountants and Auditors (13-2011)**

Associated Occupation: **Tax Preparers (13-2082)**

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| << | Focus occupation element is much lower |
| < | Focus occupation element is lower |
| 0 | Focus occupation element is at a similar level |
| > | Focus occupation element is at a higher level |
| >> | Focus occupation element is at a much higher level |

Knowledge

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 91

Focus Occupation: Accountants and Auditors (13-2011)

Associated Occupation: Tax Preparers (13-2082)

| Associated Occupation's Key Knowledge Elements | Average Rating, All Occupations | Associated Occupation's Rating | Focus Occupation's Rating | | Evaluation of Focus Occupation |
|--|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------|----|---|
| Economics and Accounting | 4.4 | 17.7 | 19.2 | 0 | Current knowledge level may be sufficient |
| Customer and Personal Service | 11.3 | 16.1 | 10.2 | << | Extensive education and/or training may be required |
| Mathematics | 9.2 | 14.9 | 13.9 | 0 | Current knowledge level may be sufficient |
| Computers and Electronics | 8.4 | 12.7 | 12.5 | 0 | Current knowledge level may be sufficient |
| Clerical | 7.3 | 12.4 | 10.4 | < | Expanded education and/or training may be required |
| Law and Government | 5.9 | 9.5 | 8.9 | 0 | Current knowledge level may be sufficient |

The maximum possible rating is 25.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section analysis of O*NET (Occupation Information Network) data.

Skills

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 91

Focus Occupation: Accountants and Auditors (13-2011)

Associated Occupation: Tax Preparers (13-2082)

| Associated Occupation's Key Skills Elements | Average Rating, All Occupations | Associated Occupation's Rating | Focus Occupation's Rating | | Evaluation of Focus Occupation |
|---|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------|----|--|
| Reading Comprehension | 10.7 | 12.5 | 12.9 | 0 | Current skill level may be sufficient |
| Service Orientation | 7.9 | 9.2 | 8.0 | < | A higher skill level may be required |
| Mathematics | 6.2 | 9.0 | 11.8 | >> | Skill level is likely more than sufficient |

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Abilities

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 97

Focus Occupation: Accountants and Auditors (13-2011)
Associated Occupation: Tax Preparers (13-2082)

| Associated Occupation's Key Abilities Elements | Average Rating, All Occupations | Associated Occupation's Rating | Focus Occupation's Rating | | Evaluation of Focus Occupation |
|--|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------|---|--|
| Near Vision | 11.1 | 13.3 | 12.7 | 0 | Current ability level may be sufficient |
| Written Comprehension | 11.0 | 12.9 | 14.6 | > | Current ability level is likely sufficient |
| Oral Comprehension | 12.5 | 11.9 | 13.8 | > | Current ability level is likely sufficient |
| Deductive Reasoning | 10.6 | 11.8 | 13.0 | > | Current ability level is likely sufficient |
| Oral Expression | 12.4 | 11.2 | 14.0 | > | Current ability level is likely sufficient |
| Mathematical Reasoning | 6.3 | 10.8 | 13.2 | > | Current ability level is likely sufficient |
| Number Facility | 6.3 | 10.6 | 13.3 | > | Current ability level is likely sufficient |
| Speech Clarity | 10.2 | 10.1 | 10.3 | 0 | Current ability level may be sufficient |
| Information Ordering | 9.9 | 9.8 | 11.6 | > | Current ability level is likely sufficient |

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Activities that Both Occupations Have in Common

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 96

Focus Occupation: Accountants and Auditors (13-2011)
Associated Occupation: Tax Preparers (13-2082)

| Work Activities | Exclusivity of Activity |
|---|-------------------------|
| Compute financial data | 53 |
| Compute taxes | 80 |
| Fill out business or government forms | 42 |
| Follow tax laws or regulations | 82 |
| Interview client to obtain additional tax information | 95 |
| Obtain financial information from individuals | 84 |
| Prepare financial reports | 67 |
| Prepare tax reports | 80 |
| Prepare tax returns | 99 |
| Write business correspondence | 58 |

Not all positions in these occupations will necessarily perform all of the listed activities. The exclusivity rating is an indication of how unique the activity is amongst all occupations. The maximum rating is 100. High scores indicate that only a small number of occupations engage in that activity.

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Tools and Technologies that Both Occupations Have in Common

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 94

Focus Occupation: Accountants and Auditors (13-2011)
Associated Occupation: Tax Preparers (13-2082)

| Tools and Technologies | Exclusivity |
|------------------------|-------------|
|------------------------|-------------|

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|--|---|
| Business function specific software | 1 |
| Calculating machines and accessories | 3 |
| Computers | 1 |
| Content authoring and editing software | 1 |
| Content management software | 6 |
| Data management and query software | 1 |
| Finance accounting and enterprise resource planning ERP software | 2 |
| Information exchange software | 1 |

Not all positions in these occupations will necessarily use all of the listed tools and technologies. The exclusivity rating is an indication of how unique the tool or technology is amongst all occupations. The maximum rating is 100. High scores indicate that only a small number of occupations use that tool or technology.

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